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For: MOTION IMAGE CODING APPARATUS, AND CONTROL METHOD AND PROGRAM OF THE APPARATUS	;) :) : January 15, 2010

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the non-U.S. patent document, as well as a copy of a Japanese Office Action citing those documents, is attached hereto.

An explanation of relevance of JPA10-136374 and JPA 2000-287173 may be found in the English abstracts attached thereto.

An explanation of relevance of JPA 10-304374 may be found in the English

abstract attached thereto and in U.S. Patent No. 6,052,417, which is in the same patent

family.

An explanation of relevance of JPA 2000-333179 may be found in the

English abstract attached thereto and in U.S. Patent No. 6,950,465, which is in the same

patent family.

To the best of Applicant's knowledge, a first Office Action has not yet been

mailed in this application.

It is respectfully requested that the documents be considered by the

Examiner and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that the

documents have been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by

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